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In re application of

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Application No. NEW NATIONAL PHASE

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Examiner

INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, INFORMATION REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD, INFORMATION RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD, RECORDING OR REPRODUCTION CONTROL COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND DATA STRUCTURE CONTAINING CONTROL SIGNAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.